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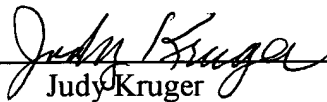
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of )  
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Serial No.: 09/374,136 )  
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Filed: August 10, 1999 )  
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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
SENDING AND RECEIVING )  
FACSIMILE TRANSMISSIONS )  
OVER A NON-TELEPHONIC )  
TRANSMISSION SYSTEM )

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This preliminary amendment is filed with the above referenced continuation application, a continuation of allowed co-pending U.S. patent application 08/815,026 filed 14 March 1997.

It is respectfully requested that amendments below be entered into the new application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1: After "Inventor: David A. Monroe" and before "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" please insert - This is a continuation of copending U.S. patent application 08/815,026 filed on 14 March 1997 which is incorporated by reference herein. - -

IN THE CLAIMS

It is respectfully requested that claims 1, 7 through 9, and 12 through 16 as filed in parent application, 08/815,026, be canceled and new claims 20 through 52 be added:

20. (new) A facsimile transmitting/receiving system comprising a sending computer, a computer network, and a receiving computer